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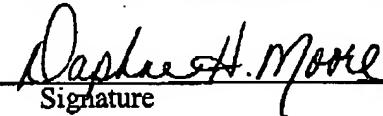
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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,  
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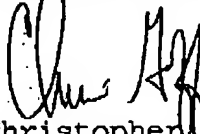
This letter is in response to the Office action dated April 8, 2005 in which an election was required between the species for variables  $R^2$ - $R^4$  selected from: (1) H; (2) COOH; (3) OH; and (4)  $C(O)R^3$ . Applicants have also been asked to specify the variables  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  for a given variable  $R^2$ . Applicants elect species (1) H for variables  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ , and  $R^4$ . Claims 1-4, and 6-60 read on the elected species.

Furthermore, applicants are required to elect a sub-species that reads on the linking agent in the second ingredient. The sub-species is selected from: (1) ether; (2) ester; (3) alkyl polyglycoside; (4) amide; (5) amine bond linking a  $C_8$ - $C_{18}$  fatty acid to an aliphatic alcohol; and (6) quaternary ammonium compounds. Applicants elect sub-species (1) ether. Claims 1-11, and 14-38 read on the elected sub-species.

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Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected species.

Respectfully Submitted,



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